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Serial No.: 09/630,215

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§1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified
statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status
under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,



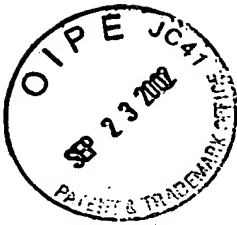
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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MAY 14, 2002 OFFICE ACTION
AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENTION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to the May 14, 2002 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the May 14, 2002 Office Action was originally due August 14, 2002. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time for responding. The fee for a one-month extension is FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$55.00) for a small entity. Applicants have previously established small entity status. A check for \$55.00 is enclosed herewith. Thus, a response to the May 14, 2002 Office Action is now due September 14, 2002. However, September 14 falls on a Saturday, making a response due on the following Monday, September 16, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

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